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2070.1001	10/535,253	02/09/2006	KUPPUSWAMY et al	AN IMPROVED PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF AMINO METHYL CYCLO ALKANE ACETIC ACIDS
2070.1002	10/535,278	02/15/2006	KUPPUSWAMY et al	AN IMPROVED PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF GABALACTAM

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The undersigned Assignee further states that the registered attorneys and/or agents, identified in the new power of attorney above, are empowered and authorized to sign the statement(s) and certification(s) under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) on behalf of the assignee. Attached to this power is/are "CERTIFICATE(S) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)".

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